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ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

Protozoan Rhomboid Proteins. The invention relates to the identification of protozoan Rhomboid proteins that are involved in the invasive processes of protozoan pathogens, such as *P. falciparum*. Modulation of these Rhomboid proteins may this be useful in treating protozoan pathogen infection. Methods and means relating to the modulation of protozoan Rhomboid proteins are provided herein.